PROGRESS NOTES

CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL

A NEW YEAR, A NEW LIFE, A NEW HOPE

“There have been many times when, after long on my knees in a cold church, a stone has rolled from my mind, and I have looked in and seen the old questions lie folded and, in place by themselves, like the piled grave clothes of Love’s risen body.”

R. S. Thomas

One must pray that the old worries and problems of 2002 and before will somehow not plague us as we enter the new year. Already new challenges are rising up and I wonder if we’ll have to weather new storms. No longer do we have to consider only the cloned sheep of Scotland but a strange woman in Miami claims to have cloned a new “Eve”. Somehow I conceive not the bright dawn of a new era for mankind but the eventide of the old era which bodes further trouble. Science truly is not to be confused with God. Science now arises again with its two edged sword of good and of evil. We are in that scientifically achieved place already with the atomic energy age giving power on one side and total destruction on the other.

Jehovah God is a God of love and peace. His peace exists beyond our understanding. He and His Christ have given unto the world the amazing gifts of heavenly beneficence. Consider the Mayflower at Plymouth in 1620, landing in a totally undeveloped America as they sought to worship God. What an amazing thing God has done, as He has now placed our nation in the position of absolute power in the entire world in less than four hundred years.

What will America do now regarding cloning, organ banking, embryo experimentation, stem cell research, longevity perpetuation, godless atheism in education and experimentation, political correctness and diminishing moral conscience? Are there enough true Christians resident in America and in the world to truly trust in God and His preservation of mankind? I believe that there are and that believers must truly begin spiritual warfare seeking God’s moment-by-moment direction.

As to thought processes, God’s people must think on “whatever is true, whatever is worthy of reverence, and is honorable and seemly, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely and lovable, whatever is kind and winsome and gracious.” (Philippians 4:8) See also Philippians 4:11-13. Man must overcome the increasing atrophy of the sense of the holy and of the moral senses through diligent seeking of the enduements of the Holy Spirit. We must overcome the great threat to the earth of an increasingly despiritualized and irreligious human consciousness. Our ethics must become a true tugendlehre (learning of virtue). Thus will we achieve the knowledge of the true and a discernment of the untrue.

As we enter 2003 we want to thank each and every one of you for your gifts, many of which were sacrificial. Please pray for Christian Medical Foundation and know how much your tax-deductible gifts are still needed. We truly need your help and your intercessions. Thank you for your wonderful help and encouragement over the past 40 years.

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Please pray for Stan and Joyce Carter, also Tom Tyson and the Tyson Family, as our beloved friend, Tommy Tyson, at age 80 has gone on to be with Jesus in glory. Tommy has been my dear fellow lecturer in CFO since 1959 at Ardmore, Oklahoma. Also pray for Denise Landry of Lindale, Texas, following the graduation of her husband, Dr. Gerald Landry, into heaven. The great saints, one by one, are being called home. Let us pray that Jesus will reveal to each one of us His plan for 2003.

HAVE A BLESSED NEW YEAR!

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